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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Chief, Supply Division

**SUBJECT :** Accountability for Prototype Materiel

**REFERENCE :**

- (a) Memorandum to Chief, Technical Accounting Staff from Chief, Supply Division; Subject: Accountability for Prototype Materiel, Assignment of Accounts for, dated 31 March 1958
- (b) Memorandum to Chief, Supply Division from Deputy Comptroller; Subject: Accountability for Prototype Materiel, dated 8 May 1958
- (c) Memorandum to Comptroller from Chief, Supply Division; Subject: Accountability for Prototype Materiel, dated 15 October 1959

1. Reference (a) stated that the Office of Logistics desired to establish property accountability for prototype items developed on Agency research and development contracts and requested this Office to establish the accounts necessary to effect such accountability. Reference (b) recommended that the Office of Logistics prepare an internal procedure to provide for the control of prototype materiel exclusive of the FPA and Property Authorization procedures during the period of testing and evaluation and upon acceptance of such materiel for stock purposes that it be priced and recorded as a stock item under the control of FPA.

2. Reference (c) stated that the Supply Division has determined that it is neither desirable nor feasible to maintain formal property accountability for prototype materiel until such time as prototype items become production models or are turned over to the Supply Division for disposal action. Reference (c) also stated that when cognizant offices turn in prototype items to the Supply Division to be considered as stock or for disposal purposes that proper prices will be established in order that such items will be included on the appropriate formal accountable records of the Supply Division.

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3. This Office concurs in the manner in which the Supply Division proposes to treat the subject property. It is suggested that the proposed policy set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 of reference (c) be promulgated in the appropriate headquarters series of regulatory issuances to the affected Agency components, and that the Supply Division issue an instruction to provide for the processing of documentation covering such materiel through use of transaction code 3-6 (i.e., Dr. Acct. No. 170, "Stores - Supplies and Equipment" and Cr. Acct. No. 680, "Value of Property Returned to Stock (Cr.)").

4. It is further requested that a copy of the suggested instruction be furnished this Office when available.

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